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## FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached

Response to Office Action Mailed June 17, 2005

- 2. With respect to additional fees:
  - A. No additional fee is required.
  - B. An additional fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:
  - C. Attached is a check in the amount of \$ 0.00.
- 3. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a). The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being transmitted to the USPTO facsimile number 571-273-8300, according to 37 CFR 1.6(d) addressed to: Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, ATTN: Examiner Tony W. Lu.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 17, 2005**

In the Office action mailed June 17, 2005, the Examiner issued a three-way restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The three groups identified were I) Claims 1-6, drawn to a SYSTEM FOR DETECTING INCOMING LIGHT FROM A LASER SOURCE; II) Claims 7-18, drawn to a METHOD FOR DETECTING A SOURCE OF AN INCOMING LASER; and III) Claims 19-21, drawn to a METHOD FOR RECIPROCAL TARGETING OF A SOURCE OF AN INCOMING LASER. Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement, but provisionally elects Group I (Claims 1-6) without prejudice to pursue the other Groups in one or more divisional applications.

Applicant respectfully submits that a restriction would be improper in this application because the fields of search are closely related, and thus, concurrent examination would be unburdensome. Moreover, with respect to Groups I and II, while the Examiner has stated that "Invention I can be used with any other laser detecting method," no examples of any such method

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300 South Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606 Telephone: (312) 913-0001 Facsimile: (312) 913-0002 have been cited. If the restriction requirement is to be maintained with respect to Groups I and II,

Applicant respectfully requests support for this statement.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative should any questions arise.

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